

Expert Witness/ Litigation Support Service

Securities Fraud | Corporate Finance Dispute | Accounting Disagreement

We provide expert evidence or otherwise guide our clients to solve their litigation issues by providing a commercial solution.

Examples of problematic situation when you need us:

RULES

Listing Rules, Takeover's Code, Corporate Finance or FRC accounting issues

DISPUTE

Shareholders' or stakeholders' disputes including those with customers, suppliers, lenders management or employees

VALUATION

Valuation of listed companies, listed assets or businesses

FRAUD

Listed company corporate governance issues or fraud cases

INVESTIGATION

Investigation by regulators – SFC, CCB, ICAC or FRC, on illicit commercial transactions or activities

MARKET MISCONDUCT

Market manipulation or misconduct activities including false market creation, false trading, price or volume rigging, failing to disclose price sensitive information ("PSI") or insider trading etc.

An expert witness is often called upon to testify in court to assist in understanding various technical issues. The role is highly specialised, requiring extensive knowledge, research and preparation, as well as an exceptional presentation in court. **Pelican, led by Mr. Charles Li, is equipped with the technical expertise, presentation skills, and commercial experience to mitigate disruptions and assist clients and their legal counsels to resolve those issues.**

Our Court Experience

Many experts can write a good report, but court experience is also important. Some experts cannot handle pressure under cross-examination, making the intended opinion on the issues severely distorted.

"Charles Li has a reputation of maintaining his opinion in court and delivering a persuasive presentation, by making complex concept simple to understand."

Mr. Li has the ability to connect all the evidence and deliver a clear overview of a complex situation, whilst being able to provide extremely detailed analysis if challenged.

Our Approach

After representing in many successful cases, Pelican developed a unique 6-step approach called "**CAR³P**":

1. Sensitise the **COMMERCIAL REASONS**
2. Develop compelling **ANGLES**
3. **RESEARCH** creatively for precedents
4. Craft a convincing **REPORT**
5. Vigorously **REHEARSE** examinations
6. Make a trustful **PRESENTATION**

PELICAN FINANCIAL

Mr. Charles Li is a seasoned expert witness in Hong Kong who specialises in advising on complex issues relating to corporate finance, accounting and financial reporting, securities trading, stock market, corporate and CPA practices. Due to his blend of varied experience, his cases are wide-ranging and include both criminal and civil.

Mr. Li has over 35 years of experience in the financial and professional service industries. Mr. Li possesses a unique combination of professional experiences and has held various senior positions in the IPO and M&A professional service chains previously – reporting accountants, sponsors, lead manager and bookrunner, Takeovers Code and corporate finance advisor, expert witness etc. His track record includes completing a number of complex transactions and litigation cases. This cross-disciplinary expertise has enabled Mr. Li to provide top-notch advice on complex corporate finance and securities related issues.



CHARLES LI

Founder & CEO

- Court approved expert witness qualified to provide advice on corporate finance and securities related issues
- CPA and Fellow Member of CPA Australia, Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and Member of the Hong Kong Securities Institute
- Qualified Independent Financial Advisor to provide opinions and reports on Takeovers Code and related matters
- Completed over 150 fund raising, M&A, IPO and corporate finance transactions

Selected litigation track records:

HKSAR vs Client 1 (Chairman of a listed company with market cap over HK$1 billion)

Issues relating to failing to disclose the alleged trading of shares by related parties

HKSAR vs Client 2 (Chairman of a listed company with market cap over HK$1 billion)

Issues relating to failing to disclose alleged PSI in an announcement leading to share price fluctuation

Market Misconduct Tribunal proceeding against Chairman (Client 3) and certain directors and officers of a listed company

Issues relating to the trading of shares by insiders alleged to be in possession of certain PSI of a listed issuer

Disputes between the Trustee of the Estate and the remaining family members (including Client 4) of the deceased, a well – known HK businessman

Issues relating to the preservation treatment and investment direction of the estate of the deceased

Disputes between Trustee of the Bankrupt and Client 5, controlling shareholder of a listed company

Valuation of the shares in issue and issues relating to the price of the acquisition of a block of shares leading to a general offer

Disputes between the controlling shareholder and a major shareholder (Client 6) of a listed company

Issues relating to the IPO procedures in relation to the spin off listing of a subsidiary of a listed company

HKSAR vs Client 7 and certain ex-directors of a listed company

Issues relating to allegedly defrauding the shareholders by omitting the disclosure of a transaction in the announcement and annual report

Disputes between a listed company (Client 8, over HK$9 billion market cap) and its share option holder

Issues relating to the granting and the exercising of certain share options of a listed company

Market Misconduct Tribunal proceeding against Client 9

Issues relating to the trading of shares by an insider alleged to be in possession of certain PSI

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